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3rd Semester Regular Examination 2017-18

Condensed Matter Physics-I

BRANCH : M.Sc. (AP)

Time : 3 Hours

Max Marks : 70

Q.CODE : B580

Answer Question No.1 which is compulsory and any five from the rest.

The figures in the right hand margin indicate marks.

- Q1 Answer the following questions: (2 x 10)**
- a) What is effective mass? Why it vary for electron in a crystal?
 - b) Differentiate between reduced zone scheme and extended zone scheme.
 - c) What is Shubinkov de Hass effect?
 - d) What is Weidemann – Franz law?
 - e) What are normal modes of a system?
 - f) What are Bloch functions? What is its significance?
 - g) What is Onsagar – Lifshitz quantization condition?
 - h) What is Harrison's construction? Write the steps in Harrison's construction for finding the Fermi surface.
 - i) Write Seeback effect? Write the expression for thermoelectric power in this effect.
 - j) What is Plasma frequency? How it is related to dielectric constant of a material.
- Q2 a) Write the wave equation for electron in a periodic potential. Explain formation of energy gap in solid using nearly free electron approximation. (5)**
- b) What are Brillouin zones? How is it constructed? Describe and sketch the first Brillouin zone of BCC and FCC lattices. Mention their importance in crystal analysis. (5)**
- Q3 a) What is tight binding approximation? Describe the tight binding approximation for calculating the energy states of an electron in solid. (5)**
- b) Give an account of de Hass-Van Alpher effect. Explain why it is considered to be the most powerful method for the study of Fermi surface. (5)**
- Q4 a) What is Fermi surface? What is its importance? Discuss the characteristics of Fermi surface. (5)**
- b) What are open orbits and Closed orbits? Explain with suitable diagram. (5)**
- Q5 a) Derive Lindhand's expression for determination of dielectric function of an interacting electron gas. (5)**
- b) What is Static screening? Derive Debye-Hucked formula. (5)**

- Q6** **a)** What is Kohn effect? Derive expression for dielectric constant and show the variation of screening parameter with wave number graphically to explain Kohn effect. **(5)**
- b)** State and explain Friedel Sum rule? **(5)**
- Q7** **a)** Derive the Boltzmann equation (transport equation). **(5)**
- b)** Derive Bloch-Gruneisen law for metals. **(5)**
- Q8** **Write short answer on any two:** **(5 x 2)**
- a)** Born-Openheimer Approximation.
- b)** Harmonic approximation.
- c)** Quantum Hall effect.
- d)** Magnetoresistance.